



Capitol Construction Bulletin

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Capitol Construction Bulletin — Keeping You Up to Date!

Last week the Idaho Capitol Commission introduced this Bulletin as one way to keep you informed about the many construction activities and related tasks of the Capitol Restoration and Wings addition project. Even though Statehouse tenants will not be relocated into temporary spaces until later on, watch for these periodic bulletins to keep you updated on tasks and activities that could impact you in the weeks and months ahead.

Underground Borings/Soil Analysis to Begin On Capitol East, West Sides Friday (July 14)

Materials Testing and Inspections Inc. (MTI) of Boise, will have **large, truck-mounted drilling machinery** on the **Statehouse grounds** as workers begin the test pit borings on Friday, July 14 in the area of the proposed underground wing expansions.

Five borings, 8 to 12 inches wide, will be drilled to a depth of approximately 45 feet on each of the East and West sides of the Building. MTI has indicated they will be finished with the drilling on July 20. The testing results will be utilized for a soils analysis including bearing capacity, according to **Jan Frew**, Deputy Administrator for the Department of Administration, Division of Public Works. This information will be used to develop and design the foundation system for the underground structures.

Sidewalk access may be temporarily impacted during times when equipment is driven onto the site. The equipment should be a sufficient distance from the building so that noise is not disruptive to Statehouse occupants.

Update: Statehouse North Doors Closed Until ACHD Finishes Sidewalk Repair Next Week

Ada County Highway District (**ACHD**), which has jurisdiction over sidewalks around the Statehouse perimeter, says the sidewalk repair in front of the north door entrance to the Capitol **won't be completed until the end of next week (July 17-21)**. ACHD has been doing scheduled ADA compliance/sidewalk repairs over the past several weeks, unrelated to the restoration project. When working in front of the north entrance steps on June 26, workers uncovered framework of an old freight elevator shaft which led to a basement storage room in the Capitol Building. Consequently, the entrance has been closed while ACHD engineers assessed the situation and determined best ways to cover the open area.

Work in Progress ...

- *Consultants continue **office space assessments** and architects are conducting interior **building structural investigations**.*
- ***Hold on to your paper records** — Historical Society Archives representatives will be contacting each agency in late July to set up initial meetings, which will be followed by formal training on identification of permanent records, packing and labeling items for moving, etc.*
- ***Inventory of Capitol artwork and artifacts** in and around the Statehouse is continuing.*